

REMARKS

The Examiner has asserted that the claims presented in Group V (new claims 33-54) and Group I (elected claims 1-25) do not have the same special features under PCT Rule 13.1 and 13.2. To facilitate prosecution, applicants have cancelled claims 33-54 and now present claims 55-72. Independent claims 55 and 56 closely follow the language of claim 1 and 2. However, they additionally contain the limitations of cancelled dependent claims 3, 9 and 14. The dependent claim 57 is equivalent to cancelled claim 11. Claim 58 is equivalent to cancelled claim 4, claim 59 to cancelled claim 6 with additional amendments to place the subject matter in correct form, claim 60 is equivalent to cancelled claim 7, claim 61 to cancelled claim 8, claim 62 to cancelled claim 10, claim 63 to cancelled claim 16, claim 64 to cancelled claim 17, claim 65 to cancelled claim 18, claim 66 to 71 equivalent to cancelled claims 19 to 25.

Applicants assert that new claims 55 and 56 overcome the rejections holding lack of clarity and anticipation asserted by the Examiner in the rejection dated 9/30/03. The localization of different fragments of a gene in different compartments within a cell is novel.

There is no special technical features in the new claims that are not explicitly or inherently disclosed in the class I claims. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to remove the present rejection under PCT Rule 13.1 and 13.2.

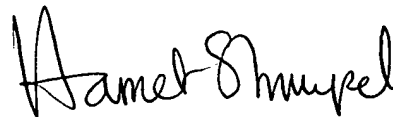
SUMMARY

For the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections set forth in the Official Action of June 10, 2004, be withdrawn and submit that this case is in condition for immediate allowance. Early and favorable consideration leading to prompt issuance of this Application is earnestly solicited.

We petition for a two-month extension of time to file a response. A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed. Please charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 14-0740.

Respectfully submitted,

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